

Directory of Implementation Science Training Programs

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This training directory lists fellowships, short-term training programs and other resources for training in the field of dissemination and implementation science (and related fields such as KT, KTE, etc.).

The directory is maintained by the VA Center for Implementation Practice and Research Support (CIPRS) based on information received from training program representatives and websites.

Programs in the first section of the directory provide specialized training in dissemination and implementation science. The second section lists programs that offer training in this area as a secondary focus or option. Please send additions and corrections to CIPRS via email (CIPRS@va.gov).

I. Specialized Implementation Science Training Programs

NIH Training Institute on Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health (TIDIRH) http://conferences.thehillgroup.com/OBSSRinstitutes/TIDIRH2012	
Program Description	Thirty NIH-funded and five VA-funded trainees will be accepted each year. The 2012 program will occur July 9-13 in San Jose, CA. Trainees will receive: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Five days of training and mentoring• Travel, room and board and course materials
Target Audience and Admission Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eligibility: investigators at any career stage interested in D&I research who have NOT received prior R01 or equivalent funding for D&I research• Applicants are NOT required to be citizens, permanent residents, or non-citizen nationals of the United States• Preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate experience with, or potential for, working effectively in transdisciplinary teams• Applicants must hold a doctoral level degree and have demonstrated experience and expertise in health science
Program Contact	http://conferences.thehillgroup.com/OBSSRinstitutes/TIDIRH2012/index.html

NIMH/VA Implementation Research Institute (IRI) http://cmhsr.wustl.edu/Training/IRI/Pages/ImplementationResearchTraining.aspx	
Program Description	Ten IRI Fellows will be appointed each year (eight funded by NIH and two by VA) for two-year terms and will receive the following each year: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• One week on-site training and ongoing mentoring from Institute faculty• Pilot project funding for a mentored implementation study• Travel funds to visit a funded implementation research project and attend the NIH Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation
Target Audience and Admission Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MD/PhD degree from such fields as social work, psychology, health services, nursing, anthropology, public health, or management• Prior or concurrent experience relevant to implementation research and in writing a grant for external federal funding• A home institution with an on-site mentor who can support the Fellow's progress in grant writing and scholarly publication
Program Contact	Enola Proctor, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University in St. Louis, iri@brownschool.wustl.edu , 314-935-6660

University of California, San Francisco Implementation Science Certificate Program http://www.epibiostat.ucsf.edu/courses/implementation_research.html	
Program Description	1-year part-time certificate program with 4 courses focused on implementing evidence into practice at individual, institutional, community, and policy levels
Target Audience and Admission Criteria	Recommended prior research methods training in the form of a master's degree or higher in public health, clinical research or epidemiology
Program Contact	Sara Ackerman, PhD, MPH, UCSF Implementation Science Program, Clinical & Translational Science Institute, sara.ackerman@ucsf.edu , 415-514-6286, http://accelerate.ucsf.edu/training/ids

VA QUERI Enhancing Implementation Science (EIS) Conference and Cyber Seminar series Conference: www.queri.research.va.gov/meetings/eis Cyber Seminar series: www.queri.research.va.gov/ciprs/programs.cfm	
Program Description	Annual two-day training conferences for novice and mid-level/advanced implementation researchers plus follow-up cyber seminars
Target Audience and Admission Criteria	In-person attendance is limited to VA researchers, but archived recordings of EIS lectures and cyber seminars, and live participation in cyber seminars, are open to all
Program Contact	CIPRS, ciprs@va.gov , 818-895-5828

University of Alabama at Birmingham Health Services/Comparative Effectiveness Research Training www.soph.uab.edu/listerhill/hsortp	
Program Description	2-year mentored fellowship training in health services with a focus on implementing research evidence into practice and on comparative effectiveness research methods
Target Audience and Admission Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants should have a clinical or research doctorate and a commitment to career development in health services and comparative effectiveness research Candidates must be US citizens, non-citizen nationals, or have permanent residency status
Program Contact	Ryan Outman, MS, Center for Outcomes and Effectiveness Research and Education (COERE), Div Preventive Medicine, routman@uab.edu , 205-934-6838

Knowledge Translation Canada Summer Institute www.ktcanada.net	
Program Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three-day program employing active learning strategies Mentorship opportunities through formal and informal “meet the professor” and peer to peer networking sessions; poster session
Target Audience and Admission Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrollment in a graduate program or a postdoctoral/clinical fellowship (Canadian and International trainees welcome) Or hold a faculty position at a Canadian Academic Institution
Program Contact	Gail Klein, St. Michael's, Univ of Toronto, kleing@smh.ca , 416-864-6060 x77526

University of Wisconsin Health Services Research and Healthcare Quality Improvement Training Program (PhD training), Madison, WI www.pophealth.wisc.edu/	
Program Contact	Maureen Smith, MD, MPH, PhD, Departments of Population Health Sciences, Family Medicine, and Surgery, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine & Public Health, MaureenSmith@wisc.edu , 608-262-4802

UK Health Foundation Improvement Science Fellowships https://registration.livegroup.co.uk/isfellowship/	
Program Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three-year funding for four fellows: full-time salary and research costs • Personalized leadership development training • Access to the Health Foundation Improvement Science Development Group, an international group of improvement science experts
Target Audience and Admission Criteria	Established track record in research or healthcare practice that relates to improvement science and a PhD or MD
Program Contact	The Health Foundation, impsci@health.org.uk , +44-20-7257-8000

II. General Training Programs with Implementation Science as Secondary or Optional Concentration

University of California, San Francisco Master's Degree Program in Clinical Research http://www.epibiostat.ucsf.edu/courses/masters.html	
Program Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2-year course of study in clinical research methods. • Optional specialized track in implementation science includes courses in the translation of research evidence into practice • In addition to coursework, students are required to complete a literature review, present original work at a national scientific meeting, and submit a peer-reviewed manuscript as first author
Target Audience and Admission Criteria	Applicants should have a clinical or research doctorate or be currently enrolled as a medical, dental or pharmacy student with at least two years of training completed
Program Contact	Clair Dunne, Dept. of Epidemiology & Biostatistics, cdunne@psg.ucsf.edu , 415-514-8019

Indiana University School of Medicine, Indiana Children's Health Services Research Fellowships www.ichsr.org (Click on "Fellowship Program")	
Program Contact	Indiana Children's Health Services Research Fellowship, Indiana University School of Medicine, fellowship@ichsr.org , 317-278-0552

Indiana University Center for Health Services and Outcomes Research at Regenstrief Institute, Indiana General Health Services Research Fellowships www.regenstrief.org/training and http://medicine.iupui.edu/INTM/education/fellowship/hsr.aspx	
Program Contact	Lori Losee, Program Manager, IU Center for Health Services and Outcomes Research, Regenstrief Institute and IU School of Medicine, Llosee@iupui.edu , 317-423-5504

University of Rochester School of Medicine, Health Services Research and Policy PhD Program www.urmc.rochester.edu/education/graduate/phd/health-services-research/	
Program Contact	Peter J. Veazie, PhD, Department of Community and Preventive Medicine, Univ Rochester School of Medicine, Peter_Veazie@urmc.rochester.edu , 585-273-5464

University of Washington Health Services Research Training Program (PhD program) http://depts.washington.edu/hservphd/	
Program Contact	Diane Martin, PhD, Department of Health Services, dianemar@uw.edu , 206-616-2987

US Department of Veterans Affairs Post-Doctoral and Post-Residency Fellowship Programs www.hsrd.research.va.gov/funding/cdp/oaawards.cfm	
Program Description	The VA offers a large number of fellowship training programs located at major VA research facilities throughout the US; the website listed above provides contact information for most of these programs. The following programs have reported specific expertise and program content in implementation science.
VA Facility or Research Center	Fellowship Program
Ann Arbor, MI: HSR&D Center for Clinical Management Research	Fellowship Program in Health Services Research
Bedford, MA: VA HSR&D Center for Health Quality, Outcomes, and Economic Research (CHQOER)	MD Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program in Health Services Research
Chicago, IL: VA HSR&D Center for the Management of Complex Chronic Care (CMC ³); Hines VA Healthcare System and Jesse Brown VA Medical Center	Post-Doctoral, Post-Resident, and RN Post Doctoral Fellowship Programs
Indianapolis, IN: VA HSR&D Center of Excellence on Implementing Evidence-Based Practice (CIEBP); Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center www.ciebp.research.va.gov/CIEBP_Fellowship_opportunities.asp	Fellowship Programs in Associated Health Postdoctoral, Physician Post Resident, Medical Informatics, and Patient Safety
N Little Rock, AR: HSR&D Center for Mental Healthcare and Outcomes Research; Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System	Fellowship Program in Health Services Research
Los Angeles, CA: VA HSR&D Center for the Study of Healthcare Provider Behavior; Center for Implementation Practice and Research Support (CIPRS)	UCLA/VA Multi-campus Primary Care and Health Services Research Fellowship Program; Associated Health Professions Post-Doctoral Fellowship Program
Palo Alto, CA: VA HSR&D Center for Health Care Evaluation (CHCE)	Special Fellowship Program in Advanced Geriatrics (SFPAG); VA Special Advanced (Post-Resident) Fellowship in Health Services Research; VA Special Advanced Fellowship in Medical Informatics; VA Special Fellowship in Health Services Research (PhD)
Pittsburgh/Philadelphia: VA HSR&D Center for Health Equity Research and Promotion (CHERP)	Post-Doctoral Health Services Research Fellowship
Portland VA Medical Center, Portland, OR	Fellowship Program in Medical Informatics
Seattle, WA: VA HSR&D Northwest Center for Outcomes Research in Older Adults; VA Puget Sound Healthcare System	Postdoctoral MD Fellowship Program in Health Services Research & Development; HSR&D PhD Fellowship